



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt resolution authorizing the City Manager to provide funding in the amount of \$70,000 to extend the Public Benefits Program Grant Lodi Appliance Rebate Program

MEETING DATE: November 20, 2002

PREPARED BY: Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to extend the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program, and appropriate \$70,000 from the Public Benefits Program to fund this program extension.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: For the past three years, the City of Lodi has offered rebates for the purchase of designated appliances (including: energy efficient refrigerators, manual defrost freezers, dishwashers, front-load/EnergyStar-approved clothes washers, and single-room air conditioners). Since June of this year, over 1,250 energy efficient appliances have been purchased and installed in Lodi homes and businesses.

By way of this resolution, the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program will be extended until these funds are exhausted. Specific criteria for this program includes:

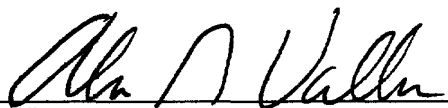
- designated energy efficient appliances must be purchased at one of the six participating Lodi retailers (including: Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, and Reo's Appliance);
- customers may receive a rebate for up to five (5) appliances (one rebate per *different appliance type- refrigerator, dishwasher, etc.*);
- customer must be a City of Lodi Electric Utility customer;
- rebate amounts: \$50 for any/all EnergyStar-rated refrigerator; \$50 for manual defrost freezer; \$100 for front-load or EnergyStar-rated clothes washer; \$50 for any EnergyStar-rated dishwasher; and, \$25 for any single-room air conditioner with an energy efficiency rating of 10.0 or better.

The purchase and installation of designated energy efficient appliances can reduce monthly electric utility costs by as much as five percent, and are considered to be one of the best energy conservation methods available to consumers today.

The City of Lodi Electric Utility respectfully recommends approval of the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program as a qualifying component of the City of Lodi Public Benefits Program.

FUNDING: 164605 – Public Benefits Program (Category – Demand-side Management)

FUNDING AVAILABLE:


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Electric Utility Director

PREPARED BY: Rob Lechner, Manager of Customer Programs

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C: City Attorney

APPROVED:


H. Dixon Flynn - City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-233

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY
MANAGER TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFITS
PROGRAM GRANT – LODI APPLIANCE REBATE PROGRAM
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WHEREAS, the state has mandated that beginning January 1, 1998, the City of Lodi is obligated to fund various programs through a Public Benefits Charge (PBC) based on a historical electric revenue requirement; and

WHEREAS, the requirement amounts to approximately \$1M per year that must be dedicated to qualifying programs such as energy efficiency. A further stipulation is that these efforts must be done on the customer's side of the meter in order to qualify; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program is comprised of four segments or customer groups: commercial/industrial, residential, community/non-profit, and municipal; and

WHEREAS, for the past three years, this project has offered rebates for the purchase of designated appliances, including Energy efficient refrigerators, manual defrost freezers, dishwashers, front-load/EnergyStar-approved clothes washers, and single-room air conditioners; and

WHEREAS, since June of this year, over 1,250 energy efficient appliances have been purchased and installed in Lodi homes and businesses.

WHEREAS, the rebate program will be extended until funds are exhausted; and

WHEREAS, specific criteria for this program include:

- Designated energy efficient appliances must be purchased at one of the six participating Lodi retailers (including Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, and Reo's Appliance);
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- Customer must be a City of Lodi Utility Customer; and
- Rebate amounts: \$50.00 for any/all EnergyStar-rated refrigerator; \$50.00 for manual defrost freezer; \$100.00 for front-load or EnergyStar-rated clothes washer; \$50.00 for any EnergyStar-rated dishwasher; and \$25.00 for any single-room air conditioner with an energy efficiency rating of 10.0 or better.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to provide a Public Benefits Program Grant in the amount of \$70,000.00 to fund the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program, specifically designed for Lodi residential electric customers.

Dated: November 20, 2002
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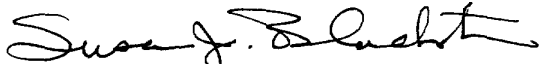
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2002-233 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held November 20, 2002 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Howard, Land, Nakanishi, and Mayor Pennino

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk